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## Merger creates school

Broadcasting and Journalism will join

By ERIN WILKINS  
Herald reporter

The departments of journalism and broadcasting unanimously voted Friday to combine into the School of Journalism and Broadcasting by July 1.

The two departments had already planned to share the Journalism and Technology Building, which will be constructed in spring 2000. It will be connected to the Academic Complex.

Journalism Department Head Jo-Ann Albers, who will be the director of the new school, said the building and a need to accredit the broadcasting department contributed to the merger.

"The journalism department did not mount a campaign to bring in the broadcasting department," Albers said. "This is not a takeover."

Journalism and broadcasting were combined at one time, but separated 20 years ago. Albers points to accreditation as the reason for the separation, as the journalism department wanted to become accredited while broadcasting did not.

By merging with the journalism department, broadcasting will become accredited, although Albers said a revision of the department's policies must be made. An outside consultant will evaluate the broadcasting department this semester so both departments can be accredited when they are reviewed in the 2003-2004 school year.

The merged departments are also proposed as Western's 1999 program of distinction, although approval is still needed to receive

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#### Western monitors radon

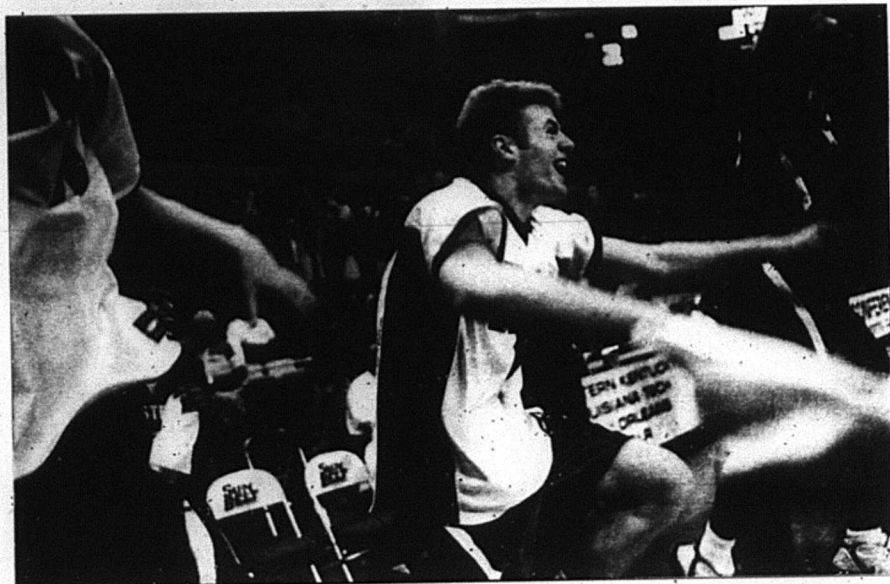
Four campus buildings had extreme radon levels last year, including Zacharias and Central Halls. Long-term testing of radon levels is being conducted in 399 rooms across campus. See Page 5

#### Baseball team 6-1

Western's baseball team has started the season with a 6-1 record. The Hilltoppers beat Cincinnati and Marshall last weekend at Denes Field. Western won on a ninth-inning home-run Sunday. The Hilltoppers play at Louisville today. See Page 9



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Rick Scibelli/Herald

Senior guard Kyle Chapman and other Western players dance with immense joy after winning Sunday night's Sun Belt Conference tournament semifinals game: The Hilltoppers beat No. 1 seed Louisiana Tech 76-66.

## Tops one away from NCAA

Western plays at 8:30 p.m. on ESPN

By JOHN DARR  
Herald reporter

LAFAYETTE, La. — Every basketball team wants to go to the big dance, but there is often only room for one Cinderella along the way.

A glass slipper, full with dreams, will be shattered tonight on ESPN at 8:30, when Western and Arkansas State (17-11) play for the Sun Belt Conference tournament championship.

The last time the Hilltoppers (13-15) tangled with the Indians was Jan. 30. They were sent home with a 70-63 loss.

"We're happy to be where we're at," Western coach Dennis Felton said. "We're not satisfied."

The Hilltoppers had an offensive fever Saturday night, scoring more points in 40 minutes than they had in any other game all

season. Western won 80-73 over No. 4 seed and host Southwestern Louisiana. Then the Hilltoppers three-stepped their way past the tournament's top seed Louisiana Tech Sunday, 70-66.

"There were a lot of people who felt we couldn't win, no matter how hard we've played," senior forward Kareem Abdul

Jabbar said. "Look at us now, we have a chance to win the tournament."

Gaining their first Sun Belt postseason title since 1996 means Felton's squad will have to stop the nation's top assist man, Chico Fletcher, from wreaking havoc.

The 5-6 junior guard has dished out 239 assists — 8.5 per game. "I do the things to put our team in a position to win," Fletcher said. "It's going to be hard to do some of those things I've done, because they play good defense."

In the Indians' last win, 87-69 over Florida International Sunday, Fletcher was able to outrun the Golden Panthers' press and accurately connect from deep. He ended the game with 26 points and nine assists.

However, coach Dickie Nutt's concern wasn't with his offense. He said the game will be won with defense and rebounding.

"They have some players that have come together and you have to credit the coaching staff," Nutt said. "They have an inside-outside game (Senior guard Joe) Harney is really a tournament player. We have to focus on him and shut him down."

Nutt added that senior guard Antonio Harvey will be paired with Harney.

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### If you watch

There will be plenty of places in town to watch the conference championship game. Here's the rundown of some special deals for the event:

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♦ Maria's — Nacho special\*

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♦ Tailgaters Grill and Sports Bar — 25 cent wings\*

♦ Preston Center — students will be able to watch the game in the dance room (ID required). Big screen TV, plus beverages and snacks.

\*Other Western specials still apply

## Criminology Club re-enacts area crimes

### Members in Crime Stoppers videos

By ERIN WILKINS  
Herald reporter

It was 9 a.m. Friday when a 6-foot male, weighing about 170 pounds, charged into a retail store in Ashley Center on Scottsville Road.

The black-masked assailant, waving a handgun, ordered the

woman at the cash register to give him all her money.

With a gun to her head and a television camera recording the scene, Louisville senior Kathy Deutsch couldn't help but laugh. It took four takes to get the scene right.

Bowling Green police are getting Western students involved in crimes — by using them as actors with hopes of solving them.

Criminology Club members participated as actors in the reenactment of an armed robbery last week. The city police have

looked to the Criminology Club at Western to utilize a new pool of actors for the Crime Stoppers program.

Recent crimes in Bowling Green are re-enacted on the program, which airs on WBKO on Tuesdays at 6 p.m. Police hope viewers who know about the crime will call with information that may help solve the crime, in exchange for a cash reward.

Crime Stoppers coordinator Barry Pruitt said he asked the Criminology Club for help in order to get some new faces on the

program. He thought the nature of the program would coincide with the interest of the club.

"We are always looking for new actors, and we have used a lot of the same people over and over again," Pruitt said. "This gives the students an opportunity to see an aspect of crime fighting, plus they are helping the community."

Police have solved 33 crimes in the last year through the program, and have solved the last two armed robberies that aired.

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## Weather forecast

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
41° 65°	39° 42°	25° 51°	44° 61°	40° 51°

T: 40°/63° rain

W: 39°/43° cloudy

R: 25°/49° sunny

F: 44°/58° rain

S: 39°/48° rain

### • Louisville

### • Lexington

T: 37°/62° rain

W: 38°/42° cloudy

R: 27°/47° sunny

F: 42°/53° rain

S: 39°/47° rain

### • Owensboro

T: 40°/63° rain

W: 39°/43° cloudy

R: 25°/49° sunny

F: 44°/58° rain

S: 39°/48° rain

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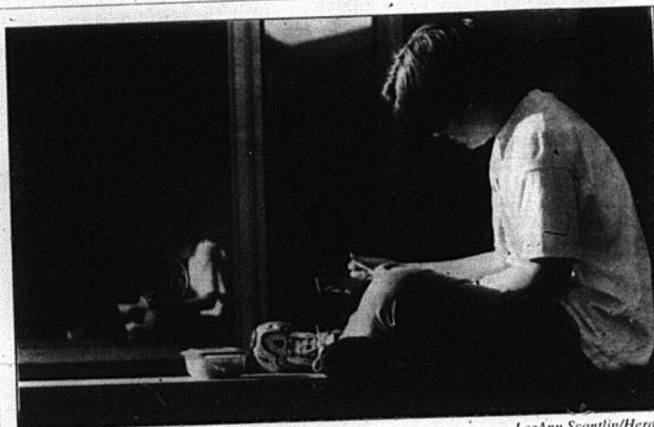
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R: 20°/54° sunny

F: 47°/64° rain

S: 43°/55° cloudy



LeeAnn Scantlin/Herald

**Outdoor studies:** Scottsville senior Heather Stinson enjoys the weather while studying for a test yesterday afternoon in front of East Hall.



## A look back at Western's history

Western's mascot, Big Red, has won the Key to Spirit, the highest award a mascot can receive, three times.

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## Crime Reports

### Reports

• Shannon M. Sales, Central Hall, reported Thursday a gold necklace, valued at \$250, stolen from her room between Sunday and Monday.

• Michael R. Forbis, Schneider Hall, reported Thursday two tail light covers, total value \$70, stolen from his 1994 Chevrolet while parked on the fifth level of the parking structure on Wednesday.

• Melanie A. Carter, Bates-Runner Hall, reported Friday \$100 stolen from her room

between Thursday and Friday.

• David Emerson, McCormack Hall, reported Monday a threatening call to the front desk of McCormack.

### Arrests

• Wesley Aaron Foster, Owensboro, was charged Wednesday with disregarding a traffic control device, DUI and possession of marijuana. He was released from the Warren County Regional Jail Friday on a court order.

• Kyle Brandon Hoppmann, Barnes-Campbell Hall, was charged Thursday with alcohol

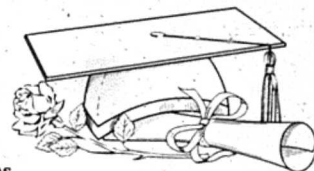
intoxication. He was released from the Warren County Regional Jail the next day on time served.

• Amy Chloa Mardis, Bemis Lawrence Hall, was charged Thursday with possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia. She was released from the Warren County Regional Jail Saturday on a \$2,000 surety bond.

• Martin Espinosa Briceno, Nashville, was charged Saturday with DUI. He was released from the Warren County Regional Jail the next day on a \$550 cash bond.

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# Judo gains a following on Western's campus

## Martial art club has over 40 members

By HOLLY GODDARD  
Herald reporter

It's not the stuff of Hollywood action movies starring Jackie Chan and Bruce Lee. No. Judo isn't about killing and injuring, and participants don't have to be a certain shape, size or sex.

It's growing in popularity for quieter reasons. The very characteristics that keep it in the shadow of big-screen, flashy martial arts — its advantage to the smaller person, its use of grappling instead of kicking or punching — has made it the sport of choice for several members of the Bowling Green and Western communities.

The Bowling Green Judo Club began as a team in Western's intramural department in the early '60s. Four years ago, Western graduates Fred Barnett and Clint Brizendine decided to expand the club to the community so more children could become involved.

They were successful. There are now more than 40 members, varying in age from four to 49.

In keeping with the tradition of passing judo from generation to generation, Barnett and Brizendine volunteer their time to coach every Monday, Thursday and Sunday at Bowling Green's YMCA.

No experience is necessary. Western graduate Matt Woodring, a team member who assists in coaching the junior class, said it takes time to introduce judo strategies to a new participant.

"We start from the ground level up," he said. "You have to learn how to fall and how to take a fall."

This emphasis on the fundamentals has paid off. At the Wakaishu Winner Shiai in Louisville three weekends ago, the team placed second out of 24. For this team, the largest chapter in Kentucky, victories are not uncommon.

Despite such overwhelming success, Barnett, a fourth-degree black belt, said judo is often overlooked by the general public, or confused with other martial arts.

Though its origins do indeed stem from jujitsu, judo is in fact very distinct, he said. Like wrestling, it is a grappling sport, consisting of holds, bar-downs and chokes. The sport itself involves no kicks or punches, though they are taught as methods of self-defense.

Barnett describes it as maximum efficiency with minimum effort.

"You try to do the most with the least amount of energy and time," he said. "Judo is designed so that a smaller person uses a larger person's weight to their advantage."

These methods, Barnett said, make the self-defense element of the sport a valuable one.

Behind its modern applications, judo has a unique history. The sport was founded in the late 1800s by Jigoro Kano. Kano, who started the Kodokan Judo Institute in Tokyo, Japan, wanted to develop a martial art that could be practiced safely.

Today, the spiritual and physical elements Kano devel-

oped are still stressed. Japanese vocabulary is studied for consistency. Barnett said he could walk into a dojo anywhere in the world and understand what is going on.

Methods of falling are taught, as well as techniques for avoiding panic. Even so, Barnett said head-to-head contact can be intimidating. "You always get the butterflies," he said. "It's normal. What happens is you learn to control them by being prepared."

Woodring said he took up judo as a means of handling stress in his life. The sport helped him vent his frustrations in a way no other sport had.

There are other benefits too. Judo builds both strength and character, Barnett said. He described it as a sport, a fighting art, spiritual discipline, a system of physical education and a recreational activity.

And while it's not as Hollywood as karate or kung-fu, judo means a lot to the people who practice it.

"Those who are dedicated to judo make it a way of life," Barnett said.



Matt Woodring practices a Harai-Goshi throw on Sensei Fred Barrett at the YMCA in Bowling Green during a Sunday Judo practice.

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# Opinion

## Party ban causes more problems than it solves

Western's Greek police are tumbling headlong into another exercise in futility. Their latest crusade: a proposal banning Thursday night fraternity parties, moving them to Friday.

With the possibility of university brass forcing them dry, Western's Greeks have scrambled to put together proposals that would quell underage drinking at parties.

Moving Thursday parties to Friday is a part of those plans, says Interfraternity Council President Alan Gordon.

Something reeks here, and it's not the stench of stale beer.

It's the rotting, decades-old guise of prohibitionists, Carrie Nation-ists and Puritans.

Pressuring Greeks to move Thursday parties to Friday is just the first step toward making Greeks go alcohol-free, and it's not even a very effective one.

Gordon says moving parties to Fridays will improve neighbor relations, boost class attendance on Fridays and encourage Westerners to stay on campus for the weekend.

We think he's wrong on all counts.

Neighbors inclined to complain about noisy parties will simply whine on Friday instead of Thursday.

Most students will continue to party on Thursday as they always have, so they can head home Friday. The morning after for some will continue to be spent in bed or hugging a toilet.

Most likely, fraternities, stricken from their houses, will seek alcoholic refuge in their members' off-campus apartments.

These private, off-campus, bashes won't have the safeguards built into a fraternity party: a security guard and a room for brothers to crash.

Many will drive home. Several will be drunk. Neighbors won't hear less noise; it will just be more dispersed.

And since most will party on Thursday anyway, there remains no added incentive for Greeks, or anyone to stay on campus for the weekend.

There's a blatant double standard here. On one hand, the Greek policemen sermonize about the dangers of alcohol. They warn that fraternities may have to go completely dry.

On the other, these same university officials dangle the Friday party concept in front of fraternities like a 16-ounce steak in front of a starving dog. They're sending the message that students ought to stay on campus for the weekend—and get slobbering drunk.

Underage drinking, the impetus for university Big Brother-hood, isn't even addressed. Even if the plan works, underage drinkers will booze up on Friday instead of Thursday.

This is a sham, a facade. It won't work, and because it won't, the Greek police will require students to go dry anyway.

They're just making it appear that fraternity members will decide their own destiny. If Western officials want to make frat houses dry against their members' will and ours, they may as well do it instead of hiding behind shady, shoddy plans like this one.

**The issue:** Greek leaders propose moving Thursday parties to Friday.  
**Our view:** The plan is useless. It's a veiled attempt to make frats go dry.



## Giovanni's activism absent in today's youth

Feb. 22 was supposed to be one of the highlights of my brief six-year stay here at Western. I was looking forward to hearing a bold lecture by Nikki Giovanni. Unfortunately the flu reduced me to my bedside. I don't know what hurt more, not getting the chance to listen to Giovanni or my aching body. A voice like hers comes only once to a place like this.

As Black History Month ended last week, I wonder where more of these voices are. Are people apathetic? Do we care any more about communication, or are we waiting for someone to make a mistake? I hope not. Hopefully Giovanni motivated some or in the communities.

When I mentioned I was interested in writing a small editorial for black history, it was eagerly welcomed with the unspoken understanding it would run in February. Now, my sense of humor says I wrote it today because I was too lazy to write it when I was supposed to, but that's not entirely true.

Why not write something outside the 28 days our society has deemed socially correct to talk about minority achievement. So few voices are heard any other month than the allotted time slot (like the month is a television show).

One of my bigger reasons in wanting to

attend the Giovanni lecture was to catch white people's reaction to her ideas. She's known to be very outspoken and unapologetic, the type of voice that has disappeared in today's youth.

I was recently motivated to write this column after watching a series on ESPN about the changing of the black athlete from the sociopolitical activism of the 1960s to its nonexistence in today's athlete. I understand times were different then, when Muhammad Ali was compelled to make his mark. Yet we're still shackled to the same racial bias and preconceived notions.

I don't expect Michael Jordan to lead any marches, but when our leaders come together in Washington, D.C. to protest police brutality in black communities — like they did this weekend — it wouldn't hurt to see him lending support.

Even at Western, I see some apathy from both blacks and whites. As a former sports writer for the Herald, I've been to

the editorial board meetings and yes, they've asked me what can be done during Black History Month. Usually my answer is silence, but for a purpose.

I would often wonder if the stories were a "burden" — if they were done simply because something is needed for the month. There's no interest in a forced story; nothing is learned. If I spoon-fed stories to life writers, they'd miss the point in why the month exists at all.

I've also seen blacks angry at the Herald for not coming up with fresh ideas. I say to them, don't wait. Don't wait for the Herald to come to you; don't wait for the Daily News or WBKO television to show segments of our community. Public recognition never made a Klansman trade in his sheets for a National Association for the Advancement of Colored People membership card. Get involved.

Remember that during the early 1960s it was college students who ushered in the sit-ins in Tennessee. It was college students who started the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) that became an important force for change.

We have the voices to move people and in the essence of Giovanni's bold voice — speak up, speak loud and speak often.

Editor's Note: George Robinson is a senior print journalism major from Louisville.



George Robinson  
commentary

## Should Western move frat parties from Thursday to Friday?



Arcentra Beasley  
Bowling Green  
junior



Kelly Alton  
Corbin freshman



Troy Brown  
senior from  
Portland, Ore.



John Powers  
Cloverport junior



Sharon Burchett  
senior from  
Springfield, Tenn.

"Yes, because people have classes on Friday."

"No, I don't think it's good for the university to make rules (for) off-campus buildings."

"I don't think alcohol should be part of the whole academic experience."

"Yeah, I think they probably should be moved. A lot of people have class on Fridays."

"I think it should depend on what the fraternity wants to do."

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## MERGER: Programs uniting

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The \$1.4 million in matching government funds for the program. The program of distinction will also include Student Publications and the forensics program.

Salary issues will be addressed as the departments merge — broadcasting professors' salaries are as much as 14 percent below benchmark institutions, while the majority of journalism professors are being paid the same as benchmark institutions.

Albers said the payment differences will be addressed with money received from the Council on Postsecondary Education if the two departments are named programs of distinction.

"Money from the program of distinction would be the most painless way of raising salaries, but we may have to appoint a committee to propose something if that does not work out," she said.

Not all of the broadcasting faculty will be joining the new school. Communication and Broadcasting Professor Dale Wicklander has chosen to stay with what will be reorganized as the speech department after it separates from broadcasting. Broadcasting Department Head Larry Winn will remain as department head of the communications department.

Stephen White, a communication and broadcasting association professor, served on the committee that initially proposed the merger. White said he is confident the proposal will be approved by the Board of Regents, and he has noticed positive reactions from the broadcasting department.

Accreditation, White said, is not such a lofty goal for the department, because it already has the necessary core concepts.

"The merger will make us a lot more visible, which helps with receiving funds that will be able to make improvements in faculty, the radio station and electronic media," White said.

Potter College Dean David Lee said the new school will be an enormous benefit for students, giving them more access to resources and programs.

"The programs represented in both departments are coming closer and closer, the students will be able to work in a barrier-free, creative environment," he said.

Lee pointed out the benefit for faculty and staff is operating on a broader field with their curriculum. Several courses offered by both departments are already similar in nature and may be combined to offer new courses with the same objectives.

White said he does not foresee any major negative effects to the merger.

"There will definitely be a transition period for everyone," he said, "which will probably be helped by being physically separated at first."

Once joined, the school will have almost 800 majors and 21 faculty.

The proposal is now in the hands of Lee, who will take it to Provost Barbara Burch. It must ultimately be approved by the board.

## CRIMES: Members act out real situations

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The Criminology Club is comprised of students with sociology majors or criminology minors, or those who are interested in either field. James Kanan, sociology assistant professor and the club's adviser, said the program was a way for the club to become more involved with the community while allowing students to learn more about crimes in the area.

"This was an opportunity to do something unusual," Kanan said. "It was fun and rewarding while being a subject central to what the club is about."

Deutsch, a sociology major,

was excited to participate in the program.

"I think it is a really great idea. I am glad that I was picked to do this," she said.

Pruitt came to club meetings and showed videos of other Crime Stopper programs so students could get an idea of what the experience would be like.

Louisville senior Dawn Foushee, also a sociology major, participated in the program and thought working with the police sparked new interest in the club.

"It goes right along with the club, and we even got some new members because of it."

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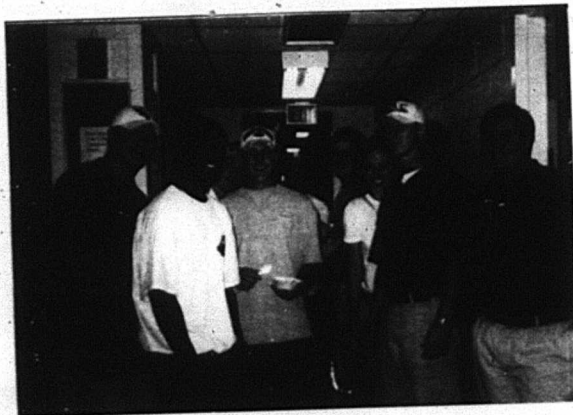
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By BRETT CORBIN  
Herald reporter

The year is 2004. You're sitting on the back porch when your grandchild looks up and sincerely asks "what were books?"

Never happen? The text for Introduction to Computer Information Systems is already on the Net and other classes may soon follow.

The Commonwealth Virtual University, a conglomerate of the state's eight institutions, plans an entire Internet university.

But the plan is being threatened by legislation currently in Congress. Determining what intellectual property is may determine the future of the online college.

The debate in Congress is to determine what can be freely used by teachers and what is copyrighted property. The debate could determine if information will be accessible to students via the Internet.

Western has been teaching some classes over the Internet since 1996.

The department of information and management systems launched the computer information class — Western's first online

course in Jan. 1996. One thousand students enrolled for the year.

Students have responded favorably to the course. Andy Kincaid, a senior from Anderson, Ind., said he enjoyed CIS 241 because he worked at his personal level and had some freedom in his day.

"I knew the assignments and knew when they were due," he said. "I didn't have to go to class if I knew I wasn't going to learn anything."

Linda Johnson, management and information systems department head, said the students have few complaints about the class.

"We surveyed students who had taken CIS 241 and asked if they would recommend it to a friend," Johnson said. "Ninety-two percent said they would. Very rarely do students respond like that, especially after only seven weeks."

The textbook publishing company for the class had a new problem when the teachers asked for the text book electronically instead of the normal paper method.

The request for electronic rather than traditional book material may become more frequent as

more classes go online. To protect the electronic book's copyright, students are given a password. The cost of the book is collected from a fee that is required to take the class.

Sally Kuhlenschmidt, psychology associate professor and member of the Intellectual Property Committee, said the line between what is a person's open information and what is private property is very blurry.

"Legally, the only information that is a person's private property are the videos they rent," she said. "Since legislation is so far behind, the technology privacy issues are nearly nonexistent."

Kuhlenschmidt teaches "Issues in Utilizing the Internet in Instruction," an online class for graduate students. She said most of her students are very surprised when they find out the access they have and the laws they may be breaking.

"The Internet makes it very easy to both police info and steal info," Kuhlenschmidt said. "The laws concerning this type of copyrighting are peculiar, what is not ethical may be legal or what is ethical may not be legal."

## Campus movie schedule

### Today

9 a.m. - The Truman Show; 11:00 a.m. - Absolute Power; 1:15 p.m. - Basketball; 3:15 - Jerry Maguire; 5:45 - Snake Eyes; 7:30 - Wrongfully Accused; 9 - The Truman Show; 11 - Absolute Power; 1:15 a.m. - Basketball; 3:15 - Jerry Maguire; 5:45 - Snake Eyes; 7:30 - Wrongfully Accused

### Tomorrow

9 a.m. - Up Close and Personal; 11:15 - Good Will Hunting; 1:30 p.m. - Get on the Bus; 3:45 - Halloween H20; 5:30 - George of the Jungle; 7:15 - Men in Black; 9 - Up Close and Personal; 11:15 -

Good Will Hunting; 1:30 a.m. - Get on the Bus; 3:45 - Halloween H20; 5:30 - George of the Jungle; 7:15 - Men in Black

### Thursday

9 a.m. - Lion King 2: Simba's Pride; 10:30 - Star Trek: 12:45 p.m. - While You Were Sleeping; 2:45 - Lethal Weapon 4; 5 - The Parent Trap; 7:15 - 6 Days, 7 Nights; 9 - Lion King 2: Simba's Pride; 10:30 - Star Trek; 12:45 a.m. - While You Were Sleeping; 2:45 - Lethal Weapon 4; 5 - The Parent Trap; 7:15 - 6 Days, Seven Nights

### Friday-Sunday

9 a.m. - The Mirror Has Two Faces; 11:15 - Dead Presidents; 1:30 p.m. - Tuskegee Armen; 3:30 - Amistad; 6:15 - Pulp Fiction; 9 - The Mirror Has Two Faces; 11:15 - Dead Presidents; 1:30 a.m. - Tuskegee Armen; 3:30 - Amistad; 6:15 - Pulp Fiction

### Monday

9 a.m. - The Truman Show; 11:00 a.m. - Basketball; 1:15 p.m. - Jerry Maguire; 3:30 - Tuskegee Armen; 5:30 - Snake Eyes; 7:15 - 6 Days, 7 Nights; 9:00 - The Truman Show; 11 - Basketball; 1 a.m. - Jerry Maguire; 3:30 - Tuskegee Armen; 5:30 - Snake Eyes; 7:15 - 6 Days, Seven Nights

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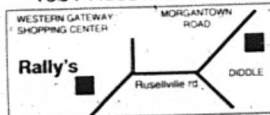
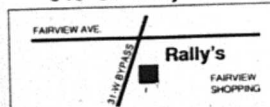
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# NCAA: Tops play Arkansas State tonight

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Abdul Jabbar said Western will probably run a mix of man and zone defenses, depending on the situation and personnel. A zone would help slow Fletcher down, but the Hilltoppers have had a lot of success running nothing but man to man the entire tournament.

The individual matchups have taken a toll on senior center Rayon Farris' legs.

"I've felt a little fatigued in games and coach made smart decisions in getting me out, and my legs fresh," Farris said.

Farris will go round and round with Indian senior Freddy Hicks. In the past two meetings, Hicks has had his time limited by foul trouble. He committed four in both games against the Hilltoppers. Hicks said he is going to play smarter, instead of limiting his aggression.

"I know he likes to block shots," Farris said. "I'm going to try to use my pump fake to my advantage every chance I get."

Both teams said they are going to do everything it takes to keep the party going.

If we win, I don't care what the score is, how we do it, who wins awards or what is on ESPN," Abdul Jabbar said, smiling. "I can live with all the other things, knowing we made it to the NCAA tournament."

## Campus News

### Concert Band cancelled

Western Kentucky University Concert Band's performance on March 2 at 7:30 in DUC is cancelled due to the Basketball Tournament.

### Women's Alliance seeking nominees for award

Western's Women's Alliance is calling for nominations for the Award for Outstanding Contribution to Women 1998-99. Nominations can be made by contacting Joy Gramling, Women's Alliance Award Committee, Department of Environmental Health and Safety, Police Annex.

### Ad Fest 99 Wednesday

The advertising program will present AdFest 99 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Wednesday in Gordon Wilson Hall. Prominent advertising figures from Louisville, Los Angeles and New York will speak about diversity in advertising, college and high school students and area practitioners are invited to attend.

Carl Brazley, president and CEO of Mo' Better Marketing Communications, will kickoff the event at 9 a.m. in Gordon Wilson Hall Theatre. With nearly \$1 million in annual revenues and nine full-time employees, Mo' Better is Louisville's largest black-owned advertising agency.

At 10:30 a.m., Western graduate John Payne will speak. Payne is an art director at TBWAChiatDay in Los Angeles. He has worked on campaigns for Taco Bell, Levi's and Sony Playstation.

At 11:30 a.m., Judene Walden, an account executive with Ebony magazine in New York City, will discuss how to sell to the black consumer market.

At 1 p.m., Western professor Sally Hastings will host a session on interviewing skills.

From 2:15-3:30 p.m., Payne will conduct a portfolio workshop for students interested in the creative side of advertising.

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# Sports

## Tops winning Cajun style

Western junior forward Lee Lampley comes up big in win

By JOHN DARR  
Herald reporter

LAFAYETTE, La. — Every clock in the Cajundome Sunday night showed 2:16.

Two minutes, 16 seconds.

Louisiana Tech's Curtis Williams hit two free throws to tie Sunday's Sun Belt semifinals game at 64.

Louisiana Tech fans cheered. Dennis Felton looked up, concerned. His hands pressed together in front of his face.

Western (13-15) had kept up with the Bulldogs (19-9) for 38 minutes and created offense with defense. But that didn't matter now. Western needed a spark to keep the fire lit in what would be a 76-66 win.

"The whole game, (junior forward) Lee Lampley was getting double-teamed," sophomore guard Nashon McPherson said. "I was telling him early, 'As soon as they collapse, get it to me.'"

But after the free throws, Lampley didn't get the ball. Sophomore guard Rashon Brown's pass was picked off by junior guard Craig Jackson (who led Tech with 22 points), who quickly went the other way.

Brown caught up to Jackson and sent him into the white padding under the basket. Jackson shrugged it off and hit both free throws.

Then, Felton flashed an open hand to Brown, and the hidden message spread to each Hilltopper.

Ten seconds later, Lampley had the ball at midcourt, but he was too far from the basket to do anything. So he posted up and got the ball back. He was immediately double-teamed.

"And as soon as they did, he kicked it out and I knocked it down," McPherson said.

The 20-footer gave the Hilltoppers a 67-66 lead with 1:42 remaining. Western was ahead for good.

Felton clapped. Western fans cheered. But Louisiana Tech came right back. Junior forward Williams dropped his shoulder and beat senior center Ryon Farris to the blocks.

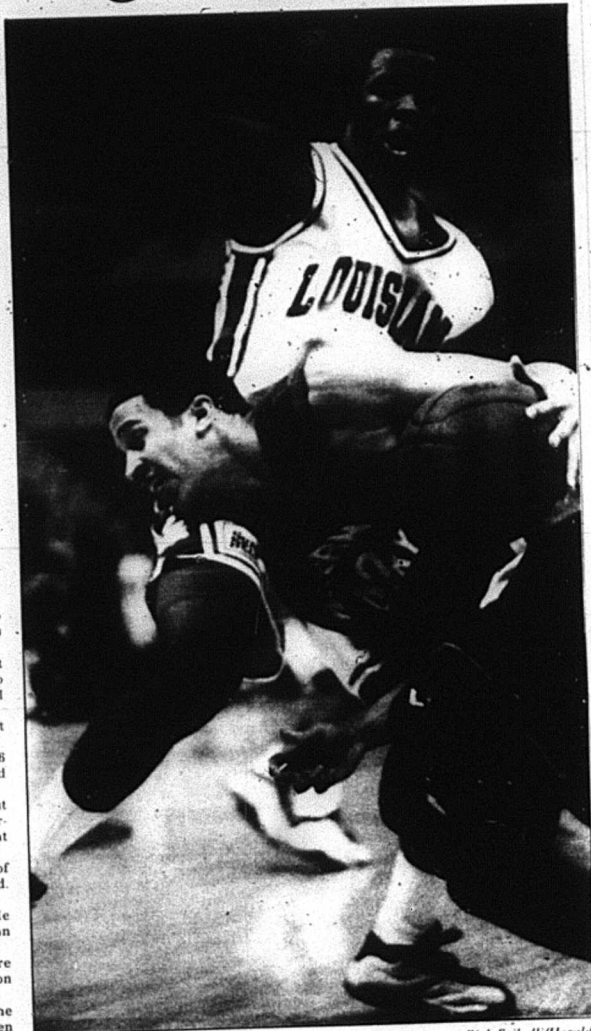
"Ray was fronting the post, and I saw out of the corner of my eye the job," Lampley said. "The shot went up, and I blocked it."

Lampley didn't just block the shot. He pinned the ball against the backboard and ran down the floor.

"Lee took it upon himself to be more aggressive at both ends of the court," Felton said.

After the defensive stop, Lampley got the ball at the top of the key, hesitated, then knocked down a three-pointer. He finished with 13 points and six rebounds. Four Hilltoppers — Farris, Lampley, McPherson

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Rick Scibelli/Herald

Freshman guard Tremain Rowles plows past a Louisiana Tech defender Sunday. The 76-66 win over the Bulldogs was Western's second upset in a row against teams that swept the Hilltoppers in the regular season.

## Western trounces final foe of season

Women beat South Alabama, 80-43

By LEIGH ANN MOORE  
Herald reporter

The ball floated off Shea Lunsford's fingertips, then bounced off the rim. The rebound went long, hitting the floor close to the three-point line opposite the senior forward. Take a whirlwind, she chased it down and snatched it from a South Alabama defender. The crowd loved the hustle and celebrated Lunsford with claps and cheers.

She smiled.

"I wanted to give the fans one last 24-second," she said after the game.

It was senior night.

In Western's 80-43 win against Sun Belt Conference rival South Alabama (7-18, 2-10), Lunsford proved why she is a leader in the conference. She ripped down 19 rebounds, and sank eight shots and three free throws for 19 points.

"Shea, for the first time ever, left everything on the floor," Western coach Steve Small said.

But she wasn't alone. Together the Lady Toppers made a 22-5 run midway through the first half, jumping out 44-21 over the Jaguars by intermission.

Western held South Alabama without a basket for the first eight minutes of the second half, building the lead to 34.

Sophomore forward ShaRae Mansfield battled with Lunsford for bragging rights on the floor. She added 18 rebounds and 20 points and was named the Sun Belt Player of the Week Monday.

"That was a conspiracy," Lunsford said with a chuckle after the game. At halftime, she slapped a verbal glove across

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## Swim finishes season strong

Men place second in final meet

By LINDSAY SUTTON  
Herald Reporter

ROCHESTER HILLS, Mich. — Seeing double causes confusion for some, but it doesn't bother senior swimmer Travis Mandigo.

His final season at Western is a replica of his sophomore year, when the men's swimming and diving team finished the regular season undefeated (11-0) and then finished the National Independent Conference cham-

pionships in second place.

Building on that experience, the team captain helped propel the Hilltoppers to that second place finish in the 1999 NIC championships last weekend. The squad completed the regular season 15-0.

"Everybody was just so fired up," Mandigo said. "It was so awesome."

Cincinnati repeated as the men's champion, 35 points ahead of Western. The Hilltoppers edged last year's runner-up, Southern Illinois, by 11 points.

And the Hilltoppers did whatever they wanted all weekend long, breaking 10 school records in the process, something

Western coach Bill Powell said doesn't happen very often.

"To break 10 of them in one meet — it just boggles my mind," Powell said.

The Hilltoppers broke all five relay records, including three set at the Notre Dame Invitational in December: the 200 and 400-meter medley relays and the 400 freestyle relay.

"This team just continues to amaze me," freshman Gord Veldman said.

Powell said the team continually went beyond his expectations all season. He touted senior leadership and team chemistry.

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## Baseball flying high with six straight wins

By SCOTT SISCO  
Herald reporter

The players in Western's dugout had their rally caps placed firmly on their heads. It was the bottom of the ninth, baseball's final round.

The score was 10-8, in Cincinnati's favor. And Western was down to its final three outs. Time for a last-ditch effort.

Junior outfielder Lorenzo Ferguson started off the inning for the Hilltoppers (6-1) with a double. After two flyouts, Ferguson was

still at second, and the Hilltoppers had only one out left.

Senior first baseman T.J. Freeman stepped to the plate and ripped a single to drive in Ferguson. Western was down 10-9 with two outs and a man on first.

Senior third baseman Anthony Saporito hit a line drive back to the pitcher. The ball hit the pitcher's glove and fell to the infield grass. The Hilltoppers had runners at first and second.

Sophomore outfielder Matt Fox

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and senior guard Joe Harney — hit double figures.

With 108 left — Western 70, Louisiana Tech 66.

Lampley wiped the bottom of both shoes. With sweat pouring down his head, the 6-6 Chicago native back peddled to the other end of the court, licked his lips and smiled.

"We were very vulnerable to be hurt by that layup and Lee wiped that out," Felton said.

Twenty seconds later, Western trapped Louisiana Tech in a corner, and the Bulldogs had to call a timeout.

Now there were 51 seconds on every clock and red towels swarmed the stands behind the huddled Western bench. President Gary Ransdell clapped the entire break.

The Bulldogs had one more

**"Nineteen times we've done it, but tonight we fell short."**

— Keith Richard

Louisiana Tech head basketball coach

chance to keep it close.

Jackson, who had hit four three-pointers, pulled up from the left corner.

And missed.

"Nineteen times we've done it, but tonight we fell short," Louisiana Tech coach Keith Richard said.

Farris grabbed his 11th rebound of the game, and the victory was sealed. He also led the team with 16 points.

Louisiana Tech began to foul. After McPherson was fouled and hit the bottom end of two free-throw attempts, the Bulldogs walked the ball up the court. Senior guard Lonnie Cooper, who scored 20 points, passed the ball too close to Brown, who stole it on instinct. He hit McPherson at the other end of the court with five seconds on the clock.

McPherson stopped, dribbled a few feet from the basket and tossed the ball over his head. Lampley grabbed the ball and slammed it home with two hands.

Game over. Western had beaten a team it was swept by in the regular season for the second night in a row (the Hilltoppers downed host Southwestern Louisiana 80-73 Saturday). And the team is in the championship game for the first time since 1995.

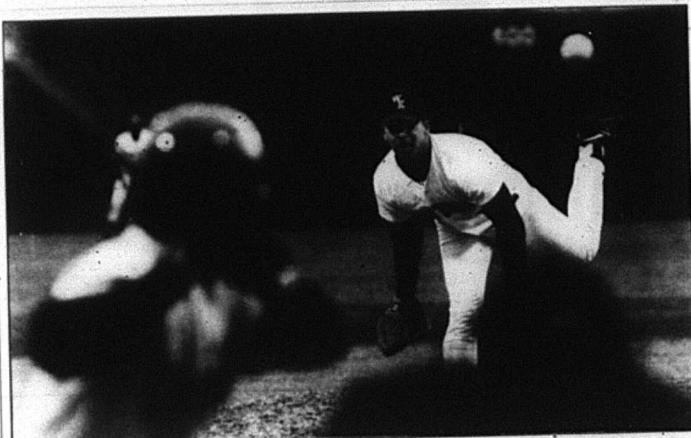
The Hilltopper bench jumped into the air and celebrated like rock stars.

Western 76, Louisiana Tech 66 — zeros on every clock.

Afterward the teams went to the locker rooms. Western's band played "My Old Kentucky Home." The cheerleaders swayed side to side in front of the crowd.

But as soon as the last note was played, everyone began to think about Arkansas State, the tournament's No. 2 seed, and what it will take for Western to gain one of the few automatic bids in the NCAA tournament.

Then, the madness could become reality.



William Goodwin II/Herald

Sophomore T.J. Johnson pitches to Cincinnati's Chris Harphen in the eighth inning. Johnson, who pitched the eighth and ninth innings, got credit for Western's win, giving him a 2-0 record this season.

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knocked in Freeman's pinch runner, freshman Jerry Cech, with a single to tie the game, then stole second base.

Then came the man who would be hero — the designated hitter, junior Curtis Bliss. Bliss watched two balls go by before he found a pitch he liked. He watched his ball sail over the left field wall as he followed the other base runners to home plate to celebrate their 13-10 win.

Bliss said he was just looking to get a base hit to drive in the winning runs.

"Coach (Joel Murrie) just told me to get a good pitch," Bliss said. "I'm just proud that we battled back."

Murrie said he always tells his team to play every inning, every pitch, every out.

"Approach every game with the intention that you are going to win until the last out is

made," Murrie said.

He was impressed at how his team overcame some mental mistakes on defense that let the Bearcats (4-3) back into the game.

Western took its first lead of the game on a five-run third inning. Senior outfielder Chris Yeo knocked in two runs with a single up the middle.

Bliss knocked in two more runs with a single to right center, but was caught in a rundown to end the inning. Fox scored before Bliss was tagged for a 5-2 Hilltopper lead.

Fox had two more RBIs in the bottom of the fifth, and senior second baseman Matt Idlett added another in the bottom of the sixth for a five-run lead.

Cincinnati began chipping away at the lead in the seventh inning. The Bearcats scored three runs in the seventh, two in the eighth and two in the ninth to take a 10-8 lead into

the final inning.

Cincinnati coach Brian Cleary said his team played the ninth inning just like any other inning.

"They did a real good job of putting the bat on the ball," Cleary said. "We had a couple of chances to get the third out. Their guys battled hard."

### In other action

The Hilltoppers played a doubleheader Friday, shutting out Cincinnati in the first game 10-0, and beating Marshall 9-5 in the second game. Junior pitcher Josh Novotney pitched a complete game in the first game and junior pitcher Kevin Love pitched 4 2/3 innings in the second game for the win.

Novotney has a 1.06 earned run average in 17 innings pitched.

Western beat Marshall 6-2 in the Thundering Herd's (2-5) second game Saturday. Marshall beat Cincinnati in the first game 5-4.

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as the reason why.

"They just blended so well," Powell said. "This is Western's greatest season ever."

Powell, in his 30th season with the Hilltoppers, was named NIC Men's Swimming Coach of the Year.

"I feel great, but the team should get the credit," he said. "They've gone beyond my expectations all year."

### Women Finish Fifth in NIC

Sophomore captain J.P. Piloto doesn't remember seeing the winner's stand this much last season at the NIC championships, but it was certainly a welcome change.

"We've just improved so much," Piloto said.

Western's women's swimming and diving squad scored either in the finals of the consolation rounds in all but three events, the 100 freestyle, and the 100 and 200 breaststroke.

The Lady Toppers' fifth place finish in the 1999 NIC was an improvement over their sixth place finish a year ago.

"To finish fifth is outstanding for a second-year team," Powell said.

To be the NIC Women's Swimmer of the Year as a freshman is outstanding too, Powell said. Freshman Brandi Beckwith was given the award on Saturday, the same day she celebrated her 19th birthday.

"It's quite an honor," Beckwith said. "I was surprised at how well I swam."

The award came after Beckwith won three individual events: the 200 individual medley, the 200 backstroke, and the 200 freestyle, breaking the school record in each.

Western broke seven other school records at the NIC for a total of 10 new school records. Every relay event record was reset and the Lady Toppers won second place honors in both the 200 and 800 freestyle relays.



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# FOE: Lady Tops beat Lady Jags

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Mansfield's face, challenging her to a rebounding duel.

Mansfield only laughed when asked about the conscious rebounding effort.

"Shea, she gave me inspiration," Mansfield said. "She was like, 'ShaRae, we really need to rebound!'"

And the challenge was accepted. The Lady Toppers out-rebounded South Alabama, 66-32, with the duo pulling down almost half the team's total.

Lunsford said on a regular night, when she and Mansfield play nearly 40 minutes, they each could have broken the Lady Topper record of 20 rebounds.

Lunsford watched from Western's bench as the final moments of the game ticked away. When fellow senior forward Kristi Hartley joined her on the bench, Lunsford embraced her. The skin around Lunsford's eyes turned a little red as she put her arms around the Roy, N.M., native — and one of her best friends.

One by one, the four Lady Topper seniors — guard Katarisha Witcher, center Wendi Kistner, Lunsford and Hartley — received standing ovations as they left the Western floor for the last time. The victory marked Western's 125th Sun Belt win.

Later, as Hartley hugged her family, she talked about the bond she has formed with her teammates, coaches and fans.

"I've become close to a lot of people," she said.

Then she made a glance around the empty Diddle Arena. "And now you just have to walk away from it."

The walking can't stop now. There is still business for the four seniors to take care of before they turn away from Lady Topper basketball.

After losing to Arkansas State 82-64 last Thursday, Western is the No. 3 seed in the conference tournament. The team will play No. 6 South Alabama again in the first round, at 2:05 p.m. Thursday in Jonesboro, Ark. If they win, the Lady Toppers will play the winner of No. 7 Southwestern Louisiana and No. 2 Florida International at 5:05 p.m. Friday.

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# Road to rivalry begins today

Baseball faces  
Louisville at 2 p.m.

By SCOTT SISCO  
Herald reporter

Interstate 65 runs in two directions. Two directions, but only one common goal — win. Western and Louisville have a heated rivalry for supremacy in Kentucky college baseball. And the two teams will come together to continue the in-state rivalry along the interstate today at 2 p.m. in Louisville.

Western (6-1) is riding a six-game winning streak after losing the season opener to Illinois State Feb. 20.

Louisville (7-2) won six straight after losing its season opener to Stetson on Feb. 12. The Cards lost their second game 3-2 Sunday at Tennessee after whipping the Volunteers 9-1 Friday and 12-4 Saturday.

Western coach Joel Murrie said this year's Cardinals may be the best team at Louisville for the past several years. With the addition of several transfers, Louisville has a solid ball club "over the years, it's always been a real close game for us."

Murrie said. "Hopefully, we can continue to have bragging rights on the field."

The Hilltoppers have beaten the Cardinals for the last two years, and they want to keep the streak alive.

"We like to think we're the best team in the state," Murrie said. "The only way to do that is win on the field."

Sophomore pitcher Ryan Hutchison said since Western is on a roll, and Louisville is coming off two big wins over Tennessee, today's game should be a big one in the rivalry.

"You're always up for teams within your state," Hutchison said. "You want to win your state. They're thinking they're the best team in the state."

Junior first baseman/outfielder Aaron Foglesong is in his first year as a Hilltopper. He said he doesn't know about the rivalry between the teams, "but I'm about to find out."

"This is a big game for us," Foglesong said. "If we can go down there and have a good showing against them, we'll be on our way to a good season."

Today could be a milestone in Murrie's coaching career. Murrie has 599 career coaching wins after this past weekend. Louisville could be number 600.

Foglesong said it would be a great achievement for Murrie. He said he would like to get it for his coach tomorrow and not wait another day.

Junior catcher James McAuley leads the Cardinals with a .417 batting average, three home runs and 11 RBIs. Sophomore pitcher Sean Green has a 2-0 record, throwing one complete game and earning a .55 ERA.

Western has two players hitting over 400 for the season. Sophomore outfielder Matt Fox leads the Hilltoppers with a .448 batting average, while junior outfielder Lorenzo Ferguson is hitting .429.

Junior pitcher Josh Novotney leads the Hilltopper pitching staff with a 1.06 ERA and a record of 1-0 in two starts. Hutchison is also 1-0 in two starts and has a 5.73 ERA.

Western begins its Sun Belt Conference schedule Friday at South Alabama. The Jaguars were picked to finish first in the conference in the preseason coaches poll.

South Alabama (6-0) is coming off a win over Mississippi Sunday. The Jaguars play Mississippi State today and tomorrow.

## WESTERN SPORTS SCORECARD

Team	W - L	Next
Men's basketball	13-15	Tonight vs. Arkansas St.*
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Men's tennis	8-1	Saturday vs. Belmont
Women's tennis	2-1	Today vs. Murray St.
Baseball	6-1	Today at Louisville

\* Men's Sun Belt Conference Tournament at Southwestern La.  
# Women's Sun Belt Conference Tournament at Arkansas State

### Tennis to host first outdoor match

The Lady Toppers' tennis team (2-1) will play Murray State at 1:30 p.m. today. The match was added to the schedule two weekends ago. Murray State had an open date and coach Laura Hudspeth agreed to the match, only if the Racers would come to Bowling Green. The match will be Western's first outdoor contest of the season. The Toppers have been practicing outdoors and should be well prepared.

Malcolm Knox

### Abdul-Jabbar earns academic honor

Senior forward Kareem Abdul-Jabbar has been named to the 1990-91 GTE-CoSIDA Academic All-America District IV basketball team. The psychology major and criminology minor has a 3.481 grade point average. The honor earns Abdul-Jabbar a place on the ballot for national academic All-America honors, announced later this spring. He averages 6.9 points and 4.4 rebounds per game for Western.

Travis Mayo

### Robinson grabs Freshman of the Year

Derek Robinson recently became Western's first-ever basketball player to earn the Sun Belt Conference's Freshman of the Year award. The 6-0, 160-pound guard averages 6.9 points per game. He also has 36 assists this season.

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